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This electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

BDCP to host online orientation webinar

Program staff for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan will hold an online webinar to provide an in-depth orientation to the BDCP and the current status of its draft overview conservation measures strategy. The webinar will be held Wednesday, Feb. 18 from 9 a.m. to noon. The web link to access the webinar will be available here by Feb. 18, or the public can attend in person at the Natural Resources Building Auditorium at 1416 Ninth Street in Sacramento (photo id required). After the orientation and review of the plan status, BDCP staff will answer questions sent in from online viewers. The purpose of the webinar is also to help the public better understand the subject matter and prepare for upcoming public scoping meetings as part of the plan's environmental review.

BDCP Steering committee meets next Friday

The next meeting of the BDCP Steering Committee is Friday, Feb. 13 at the California Farm Bureau Federation in Sacramento. An agenda will be <u>available here</u> before the meeting. The draft overview of the Bay-Delta Conservation Plan <u>can be found here</u>. This document is intended to provide an overview and synopsis of the draft proposed conservation strategies, including its key components, for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan.

Civil Engineers give nation's levees a D-

The American Society of Civil Engineers released grades for the nation's infrastructure in 15 categories and suggested solutions for their improvement. They project \$2.2 trillion in repairs and upgrades will be needed over the next five years to meet adequate conditions. The national grade for levees is a D-. Overall, the nation's infrastructure is again a D. Read the report here.

Delta Protection Commission workshop Feb. 11

The Delta Protection Commission will hold an additional Public Review Draft Workshop on its Management Plan Update on Feb. 11 in Courtland from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Additional information and the agenda can be found <a href="https://example.com/here/be/he

FloodSAFE Building Code TAC meets next Tuesday

The SB 5 Building Code Technical Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 10 in Sacramento at the Center for Collaborative Policy. At this fourth session, the TAC will review flood threats and potential solutions/responses, review existing building code, review proposed new building code to address potential solutions/responses, and review schedule and planned work by TAC sub-committees. You can find meeting details here.

Delta issues addressed in Water Plan 2009

Volumes 1, 2 and 3 of the California Water Plan have been posted on the <u>Water Plan</u> <u>website</u>. Volume 2 contains a chapter on <u>conveyance in the Delta</u>. Other Resource Management Strategies represented in the volume also discuss Delta issues. Volume 3 includes a Regional Report about <u>the Delta</u> that discusses the region, its key challenges, ongoing programs, and information on water supplies and how they're used. Workshops on the Public Review Draft draft will begin this month and will be scheduled through May. Comments about the draft are due by June 5. <u>Click here</u> for a flier about the Public Review Draft.



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